
Transportation Committee

HB 1951

Brief Description: Providing an exception to the display of license plates at the front of a vehicle.

Sponsors: Representatives Hunter and Angel.

<p style="text-align: center;">Brief Summary of Bill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creates an exception allowing a vehicle owner to obtain a single license plate and display it on the rear of a motor vehicle for an administration fee of \$200.
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Hearing Date: 2/27/13

Staff: Jerry Long (786-7306).

Background:

The Department of Licensing (DOL) must furnish to all persons making satisfactory application for a vehicle registration, two identical license plates each containing the license plate number; or one license plate if the vehicle is a trailer, semitrailer, camper, moped, collector vehicle, horseless carriage, or motorcycle. For a two-license-plate vehicle, the plates are attached conspicuously at the front and rear of each vehicle and attached at the rear of the vehicle if the vehicle is a one-license-plate vehicle.

The Washington State Patrol may grant exceptions to the two-plate requirement if the body construction of the vehicle makes display compliance impossible.

Summary of Bill:

The bill creates an exception to a registered owner for obtaining a single license plate to be attached to the rear of the motor vehicle. The fee for the exception is \$200 and must be deposited in the Motor Vehicle Fund.

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Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.